

SSIS Workgroup Name #: _____

Assessed By: _____ Assessment Date: ____/____/____

Tool Status: _____ Finalized Date: ____/____/____

Primary Caregiver: _____ Secondary Caregiver: _____

SECTION 1: SAFETY ASSESSMENT**Part A. Safety Factor Identification**

Directions: The following is a list of factors that may be associated with a child(ren) being in immediate danger of serious harm. **Identify the presence or absence of each by circling either “yes” or “no.”** Note: The vulnerability of each child needs to be considered throughout the assessment. Children ages 0 through 8 cannot protect themselves. For older children, inability to protect themselves could result from diminished mental or physical capacity or repeated victimization. Complete based on most vulnerable child.

Yes No

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Caregiver's current behavior is violent or out of control. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Caregiver describes or acts toward child in predominantly negative terms or has extremely unrealistic expectations. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. Caregiver caused serious physical harm to the child or has made a plausible threat to cause serious physical harm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. The family refuses access to the child, there is reason to believe that the family is about to flee, and/or the child's whereabouts cannot be ascertained. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Caregiver has not, or will not, provide supervision necessary to protect child from potentially serious harm. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Caregiver is unwilling, or is unable, to meet the child's immediate needs for food, clothing, shelter, and/or medical or mental health care. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. Caregiver has previously maltreated a child and the severity of the maltreatment, or the caregiver's response to the previous incident(s), suggests that child safety may be an immediate concern. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. Child is fearful of caregiver(s), other family members, or other people living in or having access to the home. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. The child's physical living conditions are hazardous and immediately threatening. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. Child sexual abuse is suspected and circumstances suggest that child safety may be an immediate concern. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 11. Caregiver's drug or alcohol use seriously affects his/her ability to supervise, protect, or care for the child. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. Other safety factor (specify): _____ |

IF NO SAFETY FACTORS ARE PRESENT, GO TO SECTION 3: SAFETY DECISION**Part B. Safety Factor Description**

Directions: For all safety factors selected, note the applicable safety factor number and then briefly describe the specific individuals, behaviors, conditions, and/or circumstances associated with that particular safety factor.

SECTION 2: SAFETY RESPONSE

Directions: For each factor identified in Section 1, consider the resources available in the family and the community that might help to keep the child safe. Select each response taken to protect the child and explain below. Describe *all* safety interventions taken or immediately planned by you or anyone else, and explain how each intervention protects (or protected) each child.

- ☐ 1. Use family resources, neighbors, or other individuals in the community as safety resources.
- ☐ 2. Use community agencies or services as safety resources.
- ☐ 3. Have the alleged offender leave the home, either voluntarily or in response to legal action.
- ☐ 4. Have the non-maltreating caregiver move to a safe environment with the child.
- ☐ 5. Other: _____
- ☐ 6. Have the caregiver(s) place the child outside the home (formal voluntary placement). Note: include explanation below regarding why responses 1–5 could not be used to keep the child(ren) safe.
- ☐ 7. Legal action must be taken to place the child(ren) outside the home. Note: include explanation below regarding why responses 1–5 could not be used to keep the child(ren) safe.

Safety Response Description:

SECTION 3: SAFETY DECISION

Directions: Identify your safety decision by selecting the appropriate line below. Select one choice only. This decision should be based on the assessment of all safety factors and any other information known about this case. If “B” or “C” is selected, Section 2 must be completed. “A” is to be selected only if no safety factors were indicated in Section 1, Part A.

- ☐ **A. Safe:** There are no children likely to be in immediate danger of serious harm.
- ☐ **B. Conditionally Safe:** Controlling safety interventions have been implemented since the report was received, and those interventions will adequately provide for the child’s safety for the immediate future.
- ☐ **C. Unsafe:** Child(ren) is likely to be in danger of immediate harm. Remove child(ren) from the home.